

Remarks/Arguments

Claim Summary

By this Amendment, claims 13 and 17 have been revised.

Claims 13-27 remain pending in the application.

Election/Restriction

Applicants acknowledge the “withdrawn” status of dependent claims 15, 16, 20-22 and 24-27.

However, Applicants respectfully point out that independent claim 13 is generic.

Accordingly, upon the indicated allowance of claim 13, the withdrawn dependent claims 15, 16, 20-22 and 24-27 should be allowed as well.

35 U.S.C. ¶112, second paragraph

By this Amendment, claims 13 and 17 have been revised to overcome the informalities identified by the Examiner. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. ¶112, second paragraph, be withdrawn.

Conclusion

No other issues remaining, early allowance of the present application having pending claims 13-27 is respectfully requested.

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